

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Home – Prisons Department – Series of untoward incidents occurred at Central Prison, Visakhapatnam due to gross negligence and supervisory lapse on part of Sri M.Venkateswarlu, Additional Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam presently working on attachment at Central Prison, Nellore – Preliminary inquiry conducted for violation of AP Prisons Rules, 1979 and Rule 3 of AP Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 - Suspension from Service – Orders – Issued.

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HOME (PRISONS & FIRE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1233

Dated:04.12.2024.

Read:-

From the Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, A.P., Mangalagiri,
Lr.No. Estt-2/536/2024, dated 04-12-2024.

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ORDER:-

Whereas it has come to the notice of the Government who is the competent authority, alleging that due to gross negligence and serious supervisory lapse on part of Sri M. Venkateswarlu, Additional Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam presently working on attachment at Central Prison, Nellore, series of untoward incidents took place at Central Prison, Visakhapatnam i.e., (i) instances of using mobile phones at Central Prison, Visakhapatnam and CDRs showed that such phone calls were made during nights from inside Central Prison, Visakhapatnam (ii) Suicidal death of a Convict Prisoner No: 48 Uppada Gowri Shankar @Shankar S/o Rama Bangaraiah, aged 25 years by hanging himself to the ventilator of the outside toilet in Godavari Barrack on 30.07.2024 (iii) Smuggling of ganja in to Central Prison, Visakhapatnam by the pharmacist and the above officers also failed to adopt (2) shift system of the Guarding staff instead of (3) shift system on security aspect in violation of the standing instructions of the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services and the Range Office, Rajahmendravaram, which tarnished the image of the Department. Thus violated AP Prisons Rules, 1979 and Rule 3 of AP Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2. And whereas disciplinary proceedings against the above two officers are contemplated.
3. And whereas the Government after careful consideration of the available material and having due regard to the circumstances of the case; are satisfied that it is necessary to place Sri M. Venkateswarlu, Additional Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam presently working on attachment at Central Prison, Nellore, under suspension, pending disciplinary proceedings.
4. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule(1) of rule 8 of A.P.C.S (CCA) Rules 1991, the Government hereby place Sri M. Venkateswarlu, Additional Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam presently working on attachment at Central Prison, Nellore under suspension and he shall continue to be under suspension until further orders.

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5. It is further ordered that during the suspension period in which this order remains in force, Sri M. Venkateswarlu, Additional Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam presently working on attachment at Central Prison, Nellore, shall not leave the headquarters without obtaining the previous permission of the Competent Authority. He shall be paid the subsistence allowance as per the rules in force during the suspension period.
6. The Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, A.P., Mangalagiri shall take necessary action accordingly.
7. The receipt of this G.O. may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**KUMAR VISHWAJEET
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, A.P., Mangalagiri.

Sri M. Venkateswarlu, Additional Superintendent of Jails,

Central Prison, Visakhapatnam presently working on attachment at

Central Prison, Nellore (through the Director General of Prisons &

Correctional Services, A.P., Mangalagiri).

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P.S to Principal Secretary to Government, Home Department.

OSD to Hon'ble M (Home)

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